## **State of South Dakota**

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## HOUSE ENGROSSED NO. HB 1157 - 2/12/2008

Introduced by: Representatives Engels, Cutler, Feinstein, Gillespie, Lust, and Moore and Senators Turbak Berry, Abdallah, Albers, and Koetzle

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain provisions relating to the residency or
- 2 military presence of parties in divorce or separate maintenance proceedings.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. That § 25-4-30 be amended to read as follows:
- 5 25-4-30. The plaintiff in an action for divorce or separate maintenance must, at the time the
- 6 action is commenced, be a resident of this state, or be stationed in this state while a member of
  - the armed services, and in order that each party be entitled to the entry of a decree or judgment
- 8 of divorce or separate maintenance, that residence or military presence must be maintained until
- 9 the decree is entered. Subsequently, the plaintiff need not maintain that residence or military
- presence to be entitled to the entry of a decree or judgment of divorce or separate maintenance.